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October 8, 1953

City of Inglewood  
"Johnson Rancho Territory No.1"  
Annexation

Mr. Fred P. Hart  
Associate Valuation Engineer  
Valuation Division  
State Board of Equalization  
Sacramento 14, California

Dear Sir:

Proceedings for "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" annexation to the City of Inglewood were filed with the Secretary of State August 17, 1953 and with the County Recorder August 19, 1953.

The enclosed tabulation indicates the effect of this city annexation upon the special districts involved.

This statement, with the enclosed tabulation, legal description of boundary, and map of the annexation, is submitted to you for filing in compliance with the provisions of Title 5, Division 2, Part 1, Chapter 8 (Sections 54900 et seq.) of the Government Code.

Yours very truly,

William J. Fox  
COUNTY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR

Harold A. Harris, Division Engineer  
Mapping Division

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cc: J.R.Quinn, Co.Assessor  
L.H.Lucas  
H.D.Houston, Dep.Assessor (with encl.)  
Wm.R.Thomson, Dist.Tax Admr.  
File (2) ✓

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October 2, 1953

IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO:

Subject: "Johnson Rancho  
Territory No. 1" to  
The City of Inglewood  
(and  
"Howard Addition" to the  
City of Los Angeles)

County Departments and Districts

Auditor  
Flood Control  
Forester and Fire Warden  
Health - Division of Vital Records  
Parks and Recreation  
Public Library  
Regional Planning  
Registrar of Voters  
Road  
Sanitation  
Sheriff  
Superintendent of Schools  
Tax Collector

Gentlemen:

"Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1", the uninhabited territory annexation to the City of Inglewood, which includes the Century Park School of Los Angeles City School District, was filed with the Secretary of State August 17, 1953, and with the County Recorder August 19, 1953.

However, on September 8, 1953, an election carried for the annexation of inhabited territory known as the "Howard Addition" to the City of Los Angeles which overlaps or includes all of the above "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" to Inglewood. The "Howard Addition" extends in general from Crenshaw Boulevard on the west to Western Avenue on the east and from Century Boulevard on the north to 120th Street on the south.

A taxpayers' suit contesting the validity of the "Howard Addition" is now pending and a Superior Court decision is not expected before November 1, 1953.

The decision of the Superior Court probably will be taken on appeal to the higher State courts. In event the Los Angeles annexation is found to be valid (without declaring the Inglewood annexation invalid) further litigation undoubtedly would be required to determine which city has jurisdiction as to the overlapped area - namely "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1". Obviously the area cannot be in both cities.

Sheet #2.

While the County Counsel has expressed no opinion up to the present time regarding this conflict, we are processing the Inglewood annexation to you now as complete and valid. You will be notified if the courts decide to the contrary.

In event you are confronted with problems involving these areas which should be dealt with immediately or prior to the final court decision, we suggest that you consult the County Counsel.

Yours very truly,

William J. Fox  
COUNTY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR

*Harold A. Harris*

Harold A. Harris, Division Engineer  
Mapping Division

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cc: John Maharg

October 8, 1953

Annexation "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1"

City of **Inglewood**

Filed with the Secretary of State **August 17, 1953**

Filed with the County Recorder **August 19, 1953**

Territory covered by this annexation was automatically affected as follows:

Road District No. 4 \_\_\_\_\_ **Withdrawn from**

L. A. County Public Library Tax \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

Metropolitan Water District \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

L. A. County Flood Control District \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

County Sanitation District No. 5 \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

Sewer Maintenance District \_\_\_\_\_ **None**

Lighting District \_\_\_\_\_ **None**

Lighting Maintenance District \_\_\_\_\_ **None**

\* County Fire Protection District Consolidated **Withdrawn from**

School Districts:

\*\* Los Angeles City School District \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

\*\* Los Angeles City High School District \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

\*\* Los Angeles City Jr. College District \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

Other Districts:

**West Basin Municipal Water District** \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

Judicial Districts:

**Inglewood Judicial District** \_\_\_\_\_ **No change**

Remarks:

**City's filing under Government Code Section 54900 received by the County Assessor August 20, 1953, and August 24, 1953.**

\* **There are no outstanding water contracts to be modified or cancelled per letter of September 3, 1953, from Chief Engineer of County Fire Protection Districts.**

**(H. & S. Code Section 14548)**

\*\* **Per Ed. Code Sec. 2421.5 (Stats. 1953: Chap. 855 A.B. 1)**

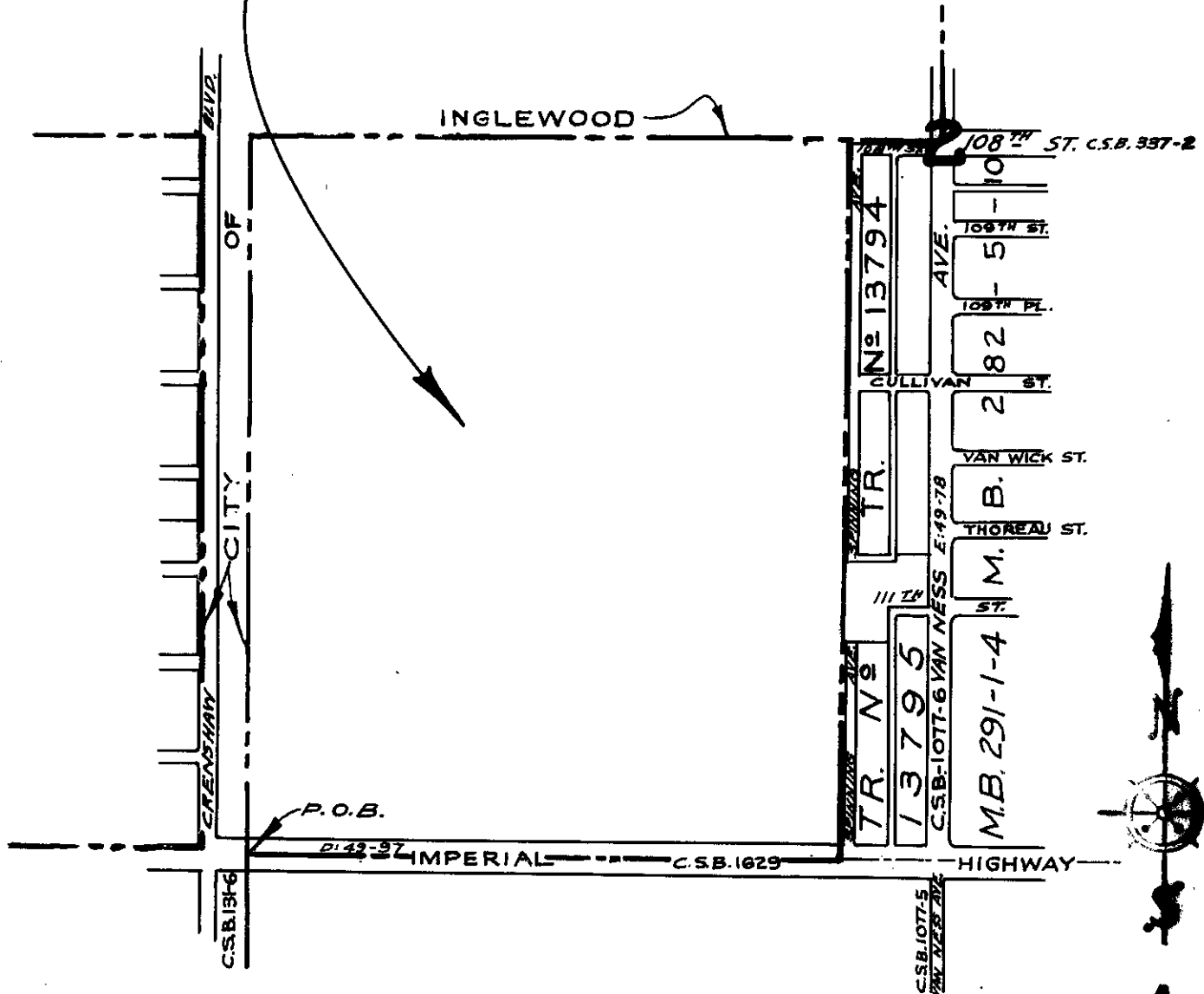
(CITY OF INGLEWOOD)  
"JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1"  
(UNINHABITED TERRITORY)  
(UNDER GOVERNMENT JOB# SECTION 35375 ET SEQ.)

Pursuant to Resolution No. 4301 of the City of Inglewood adopted June 2, 1953, initiating proceedings, Ordinance No. 1177 of the City of Inglewood adopted July 19, 1953, approving the annexation and noting that said the territory of State August 17, 1953, and that said territory was annexed to the City of Inglewood August 17, 1953, and that the described territory was annexed:

"Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" is located in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, is contiguous to the City of Inglewood in said County and State, and is comprised of and includes all of that real property included within the following described exterior boundary line, which is the boundary line of said "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1", to wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Imperial Highway (being also the South line of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M.) and the Easterly boundary line of the City of Inglewood as same existed on May 19, 1953; thence northerly along said Easterly boundary line to the northerly line of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M., according to the official plat of the survey of said land on file in the Bureau of Land Management, being also the Southerly boundary line of said City of Inglewood; thence easterly along said Southerly line of the City of Inglewood to the westerly line of Tract No. 13794 as shown on map of said Tract No. 13794 recorded in Book 282, Pages 5 to 10 inclusive of Maps, Records of Los Angeles County; thence southerly along said Westerly line, its Southerly prolongation and the Westerly line of Tract No. 13795 as recorded in Book 291, Pages 1 to 4 inclusive of Maps, Records of said County to said centerline of said Imperial Highway; thence westerly along said centerline to the point of beginning.

"JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1"  
ANNEXATION TO THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD  
(UNINHABITED TERRITORY)



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FILED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE AUGUST 17, 1953  
FILED WITH THE COUNTY RECORDER AUGUST 19, 1953  
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WILLIAM J. FOX  
COUNTY SURVEYOR  
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November 12, 1953

Overlapping Annexations -  
Cities of Inglewood and  
Los Angeles

Mr. Harold W. Kennedy  
County Counsel  
1100 Hall of Records

Dear Sir:

The Cities of Inglewood and Los Angeles have completed separate proceedings for city annexations which overlap. The annexation to Los Angeles includes all of the annexation to Inglewood and additional territory.

To guide us in properly notifying County departments and other agencies regarding these annexations, we request your opinion as to the present status of the territories involved. For example -

1. Does any of the area remain as unincorporated County territory?
2. Which city, if any, has jurisdiction over the overlapped area?
3. Is the territory of the Inglewood annexation withdrawn from Road District No. 4 (Co. Ord. No. 2413) and from Consolidated County Fire Protection District (H. & S. Code 14548) as set forth in our attached analysis sheet?
4. Is the portion of Vermont Avenue Sewer Maintenance District within the Los Angeles annexation withdrawn from the district (H. & S. Code 4926 - no contracts) or should this department continue to maintain the sewers in this portion pending final Court decision?
5. Is the portion of Woodcrest Lighting District within the Los Angeles annexation withdrawn from the district (S. & H. Code 19290)?
6. Is the territory of the Los Angeles annexation withdrawn from Road District No. 4 (Co. Ord. No. 2413) and from the Los Angeles County Public Library Tax (Ed. Code 22101 et seq)?
7. Is the territory of the Los Angeles annexation transferred from Inglewood Judicial District to Los Angeles Judicial District (Co. Ord. No. 5791)?

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Your answers to these and any other questions which might assist us will be appreciated.

Following is a summary of facts available to us:

"JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1"  
Annexation of Uninhabited Territory  
to the City of Inglewood  
(Under Govt. Code Sec. 35300 et seq)

- 5/20/53 - County Boundary Commission reported on definiteness and certainty of proposed boundaries (Item #2 on agenda)
- 6/ 2/53 - City Council adopted Resolution No. 3503 initiating annexation proceedings
- 7/24/53 - Council adopted Ord. No. 1177 approving the annexation
- 8/17/53 - Sec. of State certified that copy of Ord. No. 1177 was filed in his office that day
- 8/19/53 - Affidavit of Completion, etc. filed with the County Recorder.
- 8/20/53 } Statement of Change of Boundaries, etc. filed with the  
and }  
8/24/53 } County Assessor

"HOWARD ADDITION"  
Annexation of Inhabited Territory  
to the City of Los Angeles  
(Under "Annexation Act of 1913",  
Govt. Code Sections 35100 et seq)

- 5/12/53 - Notice of Intention to Circulate Petition published by proponents in the Los Angeles Daily Journal
- 5/20/53 - County Boundary Commission reported on definiteness and certainty of boundaries (Item #1 on agenda)
- 7/ 6/53 - Council adopted resolution of intention to call election
- 9/ 8/53 - Election held
- 9/14/53 - Council canvassed returns - election carried
- 9/23/53 - Council adopted Ord. No. 102,203 approving the annexation
- 10/23/53 - Sec. of State certified that documents re the annexation were filed in his office that day
- 10/30/53 - Affidavit of Completion, etc. filed with the County Recorder
- 11/ 3/53 - Preliminary Injunction issued by Judge Swain in S.C.C. 617746 restraining the City of Los Angeles etc. from completing the annexation or exercising jurisdiction

For your information, we also enclose:

1. A copy of our letter of October 2, 1950 (with accompanying analysis sheet and map) to County departments notifying them of completion of the Inglewood annexation and complications of the overlapping Los Angeles annexation.



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2. Map of the Los Angeles annexation with the territory of the Inglewood annexation shown in green.
3. Copy of letter of November 4, 1953 from Gibson, Dunn and Crutcher to the County Assessor serving him with certified copy of the above preliminary injunction. (copy attached)
4. Copy of letter of November 5, 1953 from Los Angeles City Clerk to the Board of Supervisors re Council's rescinding action and stating "- - - it is presumed that services rendered to the Howard Addition territory by the County will continue, pending Court decision".

Yours very truly

William J. Fox  
COUNTY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR

Frank W. Pore  
Assistant Chief Deputy

FWP-RFF:MCM

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cc: W.J.F.  
R.L.G.  
A.P.C.  
R.F.F. (2) —

October 8, 1953

Description of Territory  
Automatically Withdrawn from  
CONSOLIDATED COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Under H. & S. Code Secs. 14540 (Am'd by Stats. 1951:Chap. 1283)

That portion of Consolidated County Fire Protection District as same existed August 19, 1953, within "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" annexation to the City of Inglewood.

Containing 0.011 sq. miles

Note: Fire Warden's letter regarding modification of outstanding water contracts dated September 3, 1953.  
(H. & S. Code Sec. 14548)

cc: Auditor  
Fire Prot. Dists.  
Descr. Book  
Fire Prot. Dist. File  
City Annex File

SECRETARY OF STATE

I, Frank M. Jordan, Secretary of State of California, hereby certify:

That on the 17th day of August, 1953, pursuant to the provisions of the "Annexation of Uninhabited Territory Act of 1939", more particularly Section 35317 of the Government Code, there was filed in my office:

A copy of Ordinance No. 1177 of the City of Inglewood certified by the City Clerk of said City.

I further certify that the 4th day of July, 1953, is stated in the certificate of said City Clerk as the date on which said ordinance was regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of said City, and

That said ordinance sets forth approval of the annexation to the City of Inglewood of certain uninhabited territory, a description of the boundaries and the designation thereof as:

"Spencer Ranch Territory No. 1"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I  
hereunto set my hand and  
affix the Great Seal of the  
State of California, this  
17th day of August  
1953.

# COUNTY BOUNDARY COMMISSION

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

501 Hall of Records

May 20, 1953

Re: Proposed Annexation to  
the City of Inglewood  
of Johnson Rancho  
Territory No. 1.

Mr. Clyde Woodworth, City Attorney  
City of Inglewood  
Office of the City Attorney  
Inglewood, California

Dear Sir:

At the meeting held on Wednesday, May 20, 1953, the County Boundary Commission reviewed the boundary description and map submitted by you on May 11, 1953, for the above proposed annexation to the City of Inglewood.

The County Surveyor called to the attention of the Commission that although the description could be approved within the meaning of Section 35002 of the Government Code, certain minor changes were desirable to clarify and perfect some of the references. Said minor changes would make no change in the location of the boundaries shown on your map.

The County Boundary Commission approved the boundary description submitted by you and the alternate description recommended by the County Surveyor and respectfully suggests the alternate description be used in all proceedings relating to the proposed annexation.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

REL:rf

Encl.

cc: William Fox, County Surveyor  
— R. F. Flickwir, Co. Surv. Office

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May 20, 1953

City of Inglewood  
Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1 -  
Annexation

Honorable John Anson Ford, Chairman  
County Boundary Commission  
501 Hall of Records

Attention: Mr. Ray E. Lee  
Secretary

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your request of May 12, regarding the proposed Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1 - annexation to the City of Inglewood, we have reviewed the legal description of the boundary submitted by the City and find that, although the description can be approved by the Commission as to definiteness and certainty in accordance with the provisions of Section 35002 of the Government Code, certain minor changes are desirable to clarify and perfect some of the references.

Therefore, we have prepared the attached revised description of boundaries, which we recommend that the Commission approve as an alternate recommended description and forward to the City of Inglewood.

A map showing this proposed annexation, and all original papers regarding this matter are enclosed.

Yours very truly

William J. Fox  
COUNTY ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR

*Harold A. Harris*  
Harold A. Harris, Division Engineer  
Mapping Division

HAN-MEM:MCM

Encls. (5)

cc: R.L.G.  
Ray E. Lee  
File (5)✓

CITY OF INGLEWOOD

BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OF 'JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1'

(Alternate)

'Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1' is located in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, is contiguous to the City of Inglewood in said County and State, and is comprised of and includes all of that real property included within the following described exterior boundary line, which is the boundary line of said 'Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1', to wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Imperial Highway (being also the South line of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M.) and the Easterly boundary line of the City of Inglewood as same existed on May 19, 1953; thence northerly along said Easterly boundary line to the northerly line of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M., according to the official plat of the survey of said land on file in the Bureau of Land Management, being also the Southerly boundary line of said City of Inglewood; thence easterly along said Southerly line of the City of Inglewood to the Westerly line of Tract No. 13794 as shown on map of said Tract No. 13794 recorded in Book 282, Pages 5 to 10 inclusive of Maps, Records of Los Angeles County; thence southerly along said Westerly line, its Southerly prolongation and the Westerly line of Tract No. 13795 as recorded in Book 291, Pages 1 to 4 inclusive of Maps, Records of said County to said centerline of said Imperial Highway; thence westerly along said centerline to the point of beginning.

DESCRIPTION APPROVED

MAY 19 1953

WILLIAM J. FOX

COUNTY SURVEYOR

BY *Vernon H. Brown* DEPUTY

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HARBOR OF THE AIR  
REPT. TO W.J.F. & G.F.W.P.

OFFICE OF  
LEONARD C. FOX  
CITY CLERK

August 20, 1953

Office of the County Surveyor  
108 West Second Street  
Los Angeles 12, California

Gentlemen:

We send you herewith, a copy of Ordinance No. 1177, of the City of Inglewood, to which is attached a small Plat Map of the area being annexed.

The Secretary of State Certificate on this matter shows date of filing in his office, as August 17, 1953. Also, notice of completion of the proceedings for the annexation of this property was recorded in the office of the County Recorder on August 19, 1953.

Very truly yours,

*Leonard C. Fox*  
Leonard C. Fox,  
City Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 1177

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD,  
CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ANNEXATION OF  
CERTAIN UNINHABITED TERRITORY DESIGNATED  
AS "JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1" TO  
SAID CITY, AND DESCRIBING SAID TERRITORY.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Inglewood,  
California, did heretofore at the regular meeting of said City  
Council held on the 2nd day of June, 1953, duly and regularly  
adopt the following resolution, to wit:

"RESOLUTION NO. 3503

"A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS ON  
ITS OWN MOTION TO ANNEX CERTAIN UNINHABITED TER-  
RITORY DESIGNATED AS 'JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY  
NO. 1' TO SAID CITY; DESCRIBING SAID TERRITORY;  
SETTING FORTH ITS REASONS FOR DECIDING TO ANNEX  
SUCH TERRITORY; AND FIXING AND NOTICING THE DAY, HOUR,  
AND PLACE OF A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD BEFORE  
SAID COUNCIL, WHEN AND WHERE OBJECTIONS TO THE PRO-  
POSED ANNEXATION WILL BE HEARD.

"WHEREAS, the owners of more than 1/4, both by area  
and by assessed valuation of the real property included within  
the boundaries of the territory hereinafter described, have,  
over a period of many months last past, made overtures to the  
City Council of the City of Inglewood, California, and have  
held discussions with officials of said city, with reference to  
the proposed annexation to the City of Inglewood of said ter-  
ritory; and

"WHEREAS, under the provisions of Chapter 963 of the



1951 Statutes and Amendments to the Codes of the State of California (Section 35002 California Government Code), the matter of the proposed annexation hereinabove referred to, has been referred to the Boundary Commission of the County of Los Angeles, California for a report thereon with respect to the definiteness and certainty of the proposed boundaries, and the required report from said Boundary Commission has been made and received; and

"WHEREAS, the City Council has duly and regularly referred the matter of said proposed annexation of said territory to the Planning Commission of said City, and has received a report and recommendation from said Commission upon said matter, recommending that said proposed annexation be made; and

"WHEREAS, said Council has caused an investigation to be made and is advised by the Registrar of Voters of Los Angeles County, California, that less than twelve qualified electors reside within said territory; and

"WHEREAS, under the circumstances, said Council looks with favor upon and approves such proposed annexation and does not desire to require the filing of a formal written petition for such annexation, but is willing to proceed in the matter on its own motion as authorized and permitted by law;

"NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, FIND, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

"SECTION 1. That said Council does hereby find and determine that the said territory, which is hereinafter described and designated as 'Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1', is contiguous to the City of Inglewood, California; that said territory has less than twelve qualified electors residing therein, and that said territory is, therefore, deemed to be and is uninhabited territory within the meaning of the 'Annexation of

Uninhabited Territory Act of 1939', as amended, of the State of California, hereinafter referred to.

"SECTION 2. That the said territory so proposed to be annexed to said City of Inglewood is located in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is comprised of and includes all of the real property included within that portion of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, San Bernardino Base and Meridian, bounded and described as follows:

"BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OF 'JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1'

"'Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1' is located in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, is contiguous to the City of Inglewood in said County and State, and is comprised of and includes all of that real property included within the following described exterior boundary line, which is the boundary line of said 'Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1', to wit:

'Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Imperial Highway (being also the South line of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M.) and the Easterly boundary line of the City of Inglewood as same existed on May 19, 1953; thence northerly along said Easterly boundary line to the northerly line of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M., according to the official plat of the survey of said land on file in the Bureau of Land Management, being also the Southerly boundary line of said City of Inglewood; thence easterly along said Southerly line of the City of Inglewood to the Westerly line of Tract No. 13794, as shown on map of said Tract No. 13794 recorded in Book 282, Pages 5 to 10 inclusive of Maps, Records of Los Angeles County; thence southerly along said Westerly line, its Southerly prolongation and the Westerly line of Tract No. 13795 as recorded in Book 291, Pages 1 to 4 inclusive of Maps, Records of said County to said centerline of said Imperial Highway; thence westerly along said centerline to the point of beginning.'

"SECTION 3. That said Council does hereby elect to proceed in the matter of the annexation of said territory under the provisions of the 'Annexation of Uninhabited Territory Act of 1939', as amended, of the State of California, being Sections 35300 to 35326, both inclusive, of the Government Code of said State.

"SECTION 4. That said Council does hereby declare that these proceedings for the annexation of said territory have been initiated by it, and said Council does hereby declare

and set forth the following reasons as the reasons of said Council for desiring to annex such territory:

"That the annexation of the said 'Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1' will contribute to the orderly growth of the city, provide the proper control of street layout, drainage, sanitary sewer design and the proper land use in conformity with the overall zoning plan of said city.

"SECTION 5. That said City Council does hereby set the matter of said proposed annexation of said territory to said City for public hearing before said Council to be held by said Council in the Council Chamber in the City Hall of the City of Inglewood, California, 105 East Queen Street, in said City, beginning at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. (California Daylight Saving Time), on Tuesday, the 7th day of July, 1953. Said Council does hereby designate and fix said time and place for said public hearing and does hereby give notice of said hearing; and that at said time and place, the said City Council will hear protests or objections made by any persons owning real property within said territory. Said City Council does hereby give further notice that at any time before the said hour set for hearing objections, any owner of property within said territory may file written protest against the annexation. The protest shall state the name of the owner of the property affected and the description and area of the property in general terms. At the time set for hearing, the said City Council shall hear and pass upon all protests so made. Any person protesting or objecting to, or otherwise interested in, said proposed annexation will be afforded full opportunity to address said Council at said hearing and to produce evidence thereat respecting said proposed annexation or any matter or subject related thereto.

"SECTION 6. That the City Clerk of the City of Inglewood shall enter this resolution in the book of original resolutions of said City; shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the proceedings of the City Council of said City in the minutes of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted; and

"As provided by law, (and as notice of said hearing) shall cause a copy of this resolution to be published at least twice, but not oftener than once a week, at least 20 days prior to the hearing above fixed and noticed, in the Inglewood Daily News, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in said City of Inglewood; and in addition thereto, shall, as provided by law, cause said resolution to be published at least twice, but not oftener than once a week, at least 20 days prior to said hearing in the Southwest Wave, a newspaper of general circulation published outside of the City of Inglewood but in the County of Los Angeles, in which County is located the said territory proposed to be annexed; and

"Said City Clerk shall also cause written notice of such proposed annexation to be mailed to each person to whom land within the territory so proposed to be annexed, is assessed in the last equalized County Assessment Roll available on the date these proceedings are initiated, to the address shown on said assessment roll or as known to the said City Clerk, and to any person who has filed his name and address and the designation of the land in which he has any interest, either legal or equitable, with said City Clerk; and

"In the event any land within the said territory proposed to be annexed is owned by a County, the said City Clerk is directed to cause written notice of such proposed annexation to be mailed to the Board of Supervisors of such County, such notice to be given not less than 20 days before the said

public hearing on said proposed annexation; and

"Said City Clerk is hereby further instructed to cause written notice of such proposed annexation to be mailed to the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, California, and to the Board of Education of the Inglewood City School District, such notices to be given not less than 20 days before the said public hearing on said proposed annexation; and

"Said City Clerk shall also give any other or additional notice of such proposed annexation as may be required by law; said notice of such proposed annexation to be mailed not less than 20 days before the hearing above fixed and noticed.

"SECTION 7. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

"Passed, approved and adopted this 2nd day of June, 1953.

"ATTEST:

/s/ Leonard C. Fox  
City Clerk

/s/ Geo. C. England  
Mayor of the City of Inglewood,  
California.

(SEAL

"); and

WHEREAS, after the adoption of said Resolution No. 3503, as aforesaid, the City Clerk of said City did duly and regularly cause a copy of said Resolution to be published at least once a week for two (2) successive weeks prior to the hearing referred to in Section 5 of said above-quoted Resolution No. 3503 in the Inglewood Daily News, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed, published and circulated within said City, in the issues of said newspaper of June 5, 1953, and June 12, 1953, and in the Southwest Wave, a newspaper of general circulation published outside of the City of Inglewood, but in the County of Los Angeles, in which County is located the said territory proposed to be annexed, in the issues of said newspaper of June 4, 1953, and June 11, 1953; and being the newspapers designated by said Council for the purpose; and

WHEREAS, notice of the time, place and purpose of said hearing has been duly and regularly given, all in the manner and form and within the time required by law; and

WHEREAS, at the time fixed for said hearing, to-wit: on Tuesday, the 7th day of July, 1953, beginning at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. (California Daylight Saving Time) of said day, in the Council Chamber in the City Hall of said City, said City Council did proceed to conduct and did conduct said hearing; and

WHEREAS, at said hearing full and fair opportunity was given by the Mayor and City Council of said City to any and all persons present to address said Council and give testimony on or with reference to the subject of such proposed annexation, and on or with reference to any and all protests, and with reference to the subject of such proposed annexation, or any matter or subject related thereto or connected therewith; and

WHEREAS, said City Council has duly and regularly considered and passed upon all testimony submitted and statements made both for and against said proposed annexation of said Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1 to said City, and also all documents and communications presented to and filed with said Council in said matter, and by resolution has found that protest is not made and has not been made by the owners of one-half of the value of said Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1, proposed to be annexed to said City of Inglewood, as shown by the last equalized assessment roll; and that protest has not been made by public and private owners equal to one-half of the value of said territory proposed to be annexed, as determined by said City Council, the legislative body of said City; and

WHEREAS, said City Council at the close of said hearing on said 7th day of July, 1953, did render its decision to approve said annexation of said territory to said city, and did authorize and instruct the City Attorney of said City to prepare

and present to said Council the necessary Ordinance approving the annexation of said "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" to said City of Inglewood; and

WHEREAS, said City Council has now acquired jurisdiction and authority to introduce and adopt this Ordinance approving such annexation;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the said City Council does hereby find, declare, and determine that each and all of the facts recited in the preamble to this Ordinance, and in the preamble to Resolution No. 3503 therein quoted, are true, and that protest is not made and has not been made by the owners of one-half of the value of the said "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" proposed to be annexed to said City of Inglewood as shown by the last equalized assessment roll; and that protest has not been made by public and private owners equal to one-half of the value of said territory proposed to be annexed as determined by said City Council, the legislative body of said City.

SECTION 2. That the City Council of the City of Inglewood, California, does hereby approve the annexation to the said City of Inglewood, California, of all that real property in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, hereinabove referred to (and which is also hereby designated) as "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1", and which is included within the following described exterior boundary line, to-wit:

BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OF "JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1"

"Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" is located in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, is contiguous to the City of Inglewood in said County and State, and is comprised of and includes all of that real property included within the following described exterior boundary line, which is the boundary line of said "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1", to wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Imperial Highway (being also the South line of Section 2,

Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M.) and the Easterly boundary line of the City of Inglewood as same existed on May 19, 1953; thence northerly along said Easterly boundary line to the northerly line of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M., according to the official plat of the survey of said land on file in the Bureau of Land Management, being also the Southerly boundary line of said City of Inglewood; thence easterly along said Southerly line of the City of Inglewood to the Westerly line of Tract No. 13794 as shown on map of said Tract No. 13794 recorded in Book 282, Pages 5 to 10 inclusive of Maps, Records of Los Angeles County; thence southerly along said Westerly line, its Southerly prolongation and the Westerly line of Tract No. 13795 as recorded in Book 291, Pages 1 to 4 inclusive of Maps, Records of said County to said centerline of said Imperial Highway; thence westerly along said centerline to the point of beginning.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall become effective at midnight on the 30th day from and after the date of the adoption thereof and shall thereafter be and remain in full force and effect, as provided in the Freeholders' Charter of said City.

SECTION 4. That the originals of all the documents, instruments, and proceedings hereinabove mentioned or referred to in this ordinance, or in the preamble of this ordinance, are on file in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Inglewood, California, located at 105 East Queen Street, in said City, are open to public inspection, and as so on file are hereby referred to and by this reference expressly incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

SECTION 5. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance, shall enter the same in the book of original ordinances of said City; shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the proceedings of the City Council of said City in the minutes of the meeting of said Council at which the same is passed and adopted, and within ten days after its adoption, shall cause said ordinance to be published once in the Inglewood Daily News, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed, published and circulated within said City, and which is hereby designated for that purpose. Said City Clerk shall also, immediately upon the taking



effect of this ordinance, make under the seal of said City and transmit to the Secretary of State of the State of California, a certified copy of this ordinance, giving the date of its passage and adoption. Said City Clerk shall also execute and file in the office of the Recorder of the County of Los Angeles, California, in which County said City of Inglewood is located, an Affidavit stating that all requirements of the laws pertaining to the proceedings for the annexation of said "Johnson Rancho Territory No.1" have been complied with, which said Affidavit shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the boundary description as set forth in such proceedings, and also by a map delineating such boundary, all as contemplated in the laws of the State of California relating to the completion of proceedings for the annexation of territory to cities. Said City Clerk shall also, and he is hereby instructed to prepare, execute and file with the State Board of Equalization of the State of California, and other officers, boards, and agencies, such further or additional statements, documents, maps, plats, descriptions, and data as may be required in connection with the said annexation of said "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" to said City under the laws of said State of California.

Passed, approved and adopted this 14th day of July,  
1953.

  
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Mayor of the City of Inglewood,  
California

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

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## Legislature May Solve School Row

### Annexation Bill To Be Debated by Senate Today

Amid complaints of "school grabbing" which threatened to set a boundary dispute between Inglewood and Los Angeles, both factions today were given reason to believe that the whole thing may be settled peacefully by the State Legislature.

It was learned that the Senate today is to consider a bill, similar to the one already passed by the Assembly, which would permit annexations without, however, changing the school district lines.

If the measure is ratified, which best information indicates it will be, the hotly contested Century Park School and Inglewood Knolls will remain in Los Angeles school district while the area itself will become part of Inglewood if the merger is approved by the City Council.

City Administrator F. Robert Coop stated that he has been advised by the League of California Cities representative at the state capital that SB65, companion bill to AB1 will be discussed on the Senate floor today and has a good chance of passage.

He said that while the Senate bill varies slightly from the measure approved by the Assembly, it is possible for the Assembly to pass a concurrent resolution, which would then send the bill to the Governor for signing.

Coop said the city had wired Sen. Jack B. Tenney urging him to support the bill in order to solve the dispute that has raged for the past two weeks between city officials and parents of pupils attending Century Park School.

In the wire Coop wrote that the city wishes the annexation for boundary purposes only and has no desire to interfere in the education of the 850 children attending there now.

The fight over the school arose when the City Council went on record as desiring the site on Spinning Avenue, one block south of 108th Street as part of the Inglewood-Knolls annexation, in order to keep the city limit lines even.

If the two bills are approved, Los Angeles will continue to administer the Century Park School, and children of people who will reside in Inglewood Knolls, when the subdivision is developed, will attend Los Angeles schools.

As soon as Inglewood's plan for including the Century Park School in the merger was announced, parents of pupils attending the school marched to the City Council and strongly but vainly voiced their protests.

They immediately formed a Parents Committee and began proceedings which would annex a large part of the unincorporated area east and south of Inglewood, including Inglewood Knolls, to Los Angeles.

Editor,  
Daily News:

I little thought that I would ever write anything that might be used as propaganda by the Communists, but this could be:

In a democratic city, the council and the school board connive and conspire to legally "steal"

(More Forum on Page 12)

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# Letters from

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a \$600,000 school for \$250,000. Not only are they moving to "steal" the monetary value of the school from Los Angeles City School District, but they would steal proper schooling from some 350 children.

The school authorities may circumvent the bonded indebtedness law, since the school district could be obligated for the \$250,000 and this would not count as bonded indebtedness.

Inglewood Councilman Jones suggested that the area east of Van Ness and Spinning Avenues could annex to the Inglewood City School District and the children could continue to use Century Park School. He should have known the school would need to be enlarged (area approximately two acres) to handle children from the present built-up area as well as from the proposed tract west of the school.

These two acres are probably one reason why the subdivider is seeking annexation of his tract to the city of Inglewood. He claims otherwise, but the fact remains that the Los Angeles City School District asked him to set aside a little less than two acres to enlarge the present school site if the tract remained in that district where the property has been for years. About 10 more houses could be squeezed into the tract if the school plot is not enlarged.

If the "steal" must go through, let Inglewood require the enlargement of the school site so that when Inglewood is later forced by high taxes to annex to the city of Los Angeles, as the late Raymond V. Darby predicted, things can be squared away. Would that Ray were still with us! I know that he would be with us in this fight.

Yours truly,

EARL V. KOONS Sr.  
3760 West 104th Street

# Compromise in Offing On Annexation Dispute

*Inglewood Daily News 10-6-53*

## LA Will Give up Johnson Ranch for Century School

Solution to the double annexation of the Johnson Ranch territory appeared dimly on the horizon today.

It was learned that the Los Angeles City Council is anxious to reach a compromise with Inglewood over the disputed area, and might be willing to detach it from its own claims, provided Inglewood yields the Century Park School, whose possession whipped up the original fight.

### Await Decision

However, definite action will probably await the decision of Superior Judge Frank G. Swain, before whom a property owners' suit regarding the annexation, was submitted today.

Councilman L. E. Timberlake, in whose Los Angeles district the area has been assigned, said while he heard "some rumors" about a settlement proposal, he had nothing definite to say.

### Heard Nothing

Inglewood City Administrator F. Robert Coop said this morning that he also had not heard anything on the subject lately, but that he believes the Inglewood city fathers will be happy to agree to a compromise to avoid lengthy litigation.

Alan Campbell, deputy city attorney of Los Angeles, stated he had understood the Los Angeles councilmen were discussing a compromise under which Inglewood will retain the Johnson Ranch with the exception of the school site, while Los Angeles will keep the remainder.

In the meantime Judge Swain is expected to take the case of Hubbell vs. City of Los Angeles under submission for a few days before rendering a decision which might affect the outcome of the dispute.

### Property Owner Suit

The suit had been brought by property owners who claimed the Sept. 8 annexation to Los Angeles was illegal since part of the involved territory was already part of Inglewood, and that there were sufficient protests by property owners to stop the vote.

While all the legal maneuvers are in progress Inglewood's building department is processing applications for permits for the development of the Inglewood Knolls tract on the Johnson Ranch.

## Writ Asked to Prevent Election on Annexation

*TIMES-8-21-53*

INGLEWOOD, Aug. 20—Latest development in the battle between Inglewood and Los Angeles over portions of the Johnson Ranch came today when a petition for a writ of mandate to prevent the special annexation election, scheduled Sept. 8, was filed.

The petition was signed by Mr. and Mrs. Myron R. Hubbell, 10812 Spinning Ave., several other property owners, and the Eastly Building Co., developers of a portion of the property.

The action sets forth a claim that 1027 of the 1667 individual property owners involved protested at the recent hearing held by the Los Angeles City Council, thereby constituting

more than 51% necessary to prevent any election.

The Los Angeles Council has five days in which to answer or show cause why the election should not be stopped. If the writ of mandate is successful then it will preclude a threatened legal controversy between the two cities.

This morning, Inglewood Mayor George C. England, together with Harold Hirsh of the Hirsh-Edmunds Co., and veteran city street maintenance man, James O. Boyd, personally posted the first sign, showing that the Inglewood Knolls area is now a part of this city. Last Tuesday the Secretary of State notified Inglewood that the annexation has been filed and recorded.

# Hot Arguments Mark Hearing on Annexation

*Times - 7-29-53*

Hot arguments over whether an approximate 800-acre area bounded by Western Ave., Crenshaw Blvd., Century Blvd. and 120th St. should be annexed to Los Angeles were heard yesterday by the City Council.

It developed that some property owners of the area wanted to be annexed to Los Angeles, some wanted to annex to Inglewood and others were adamant in a resolve to remain in unincorporated county territory.

A part of the hassle included charges that Inglewood was trying to "steal" a new \$1,000,

000 elementary school, erected by the Los Angeles School District, by the simple process of annexing the school grounds.

Attorneys representing the protestants to the annexation claimed to have signed petitions representing 56% of the property owners in the area. Action by the Council was postponed until tomorrow to give the City Clerk time to check the number of protests.

# Neither Side Will Move to Halt Double Annexation

## Knolls Merger Compromise To Be Studied

Action: ~~Meeting~~  
Protest Hearing  
Next Tuesday

Neither Inglewood nor Los Angeles will attempt to prevent annexation of the Johnson Ranch property by legal means for the present.

That was the decision reached at a conference between the two cities' representatives in the office of Roger Arnebergh, Los Angeles city attorney.

City Administrator F. Robert Coop, who attended the meeting with City Attorney Clyde Woodworth, reported that officials of both municipalities discussed a possible compromise solution but that substantially more legal research will have to be made before it can be submitted to the city councils of both cities for approval.

He stated the common ground on which agreement could be reached would be for Los Angeles to leave out Inglewood Knolls from its annexation while Inglewood would not take in the Century Park School. Coop pointed out that none of the conversation was binding on either city.

Both sides agreed that nothing should be done until after the public protest hearing against the Los Angeles annexation, scheduled for Tuesday morning. If the residents of the Century Park area still wishes to go ahead with the merger at that time, study of a legal solution will then be undertaken.

The Johnson Ranch area, on which the final annexation ordinance has been passed, is expected to become part of Inglewood sometime late in August, while the election to bring a much larger area into Los Angeles will not take place until Sept. 28.

It is anticipated that as soon as the Inglewood annexation is consummated by approval of the Secretary of State, municipal departments such as fire and police will start serving the 300-acre area.

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8 a.m. today .....67  
Yesterday's maximum .....78  
Yesterday's minimum .....63  
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# Inglewood Knolls Annexed,

INGLEWOOD CITIZEN Number 44

## Despite Protests

### Fred Jones Asks Delay on Adopting Resolution, Pending Pact on Matter

The Inglewood city council adopted the resolution Tuesday annexing the Inglewood Knolls area of the Johnson ranch, despite the pending public hearing and annexation proceedings before the Los Angeles city council.

Councilman Fred Jones, in pre-council session, asked that it be delayed until the consequences of the act could be determined, but the other four councilmen said that they would rely on the judgment of City Attorney Clyde Woodworth, who ruled that if the city wished to go ahead, it could gain no advantage by delaying the adoption of the annexation resolution by a week.

Later in open session of the council, Jones again asked for the delay until local officials could confer with Los Angeles officials, now all in Washington, adjudicating the Los Angeles public housing situation. However, Jones voted "aye" when the roll call was asked on the motion.

The Morningside Park councilman suggested that the matter be redrawn to exclude the Century Park School, but his colleagues voiced the opinion that Century Park parents had double-crossed them, as in a meeting with the local council, at which Inglewood had agreed to delay introduction of the resolution of intention until after AB-1 became a law, that if this was done, then the Century Park residents would not object to the annexation. Despite this "sweet talk," the councilmen said, even then these people were preparing to circulate the petition for annexation of the larger area to Los Angeles.

The Los Angeles city council has set for a public hearing on Sept. 28 the matter of calling an election for a vote on annexation of the Western, 120th street, Crenshaw boulevard, 104th street area, which includes Inglewood Knolls.

In discussing the matter earlier this year, the Hirsh-Edmunds Company had asked to be annexed and that it include the school, otherwise they would have to provide another eight to 10 acres for a school site. This would make four schools in a radius of two miles, so the council agreed. City Administrator Bob Copp pointed out that if the council had not, then the developers would not have asked to annex.

Woodworth also said that the matter of annexing inhabited territory along with uninhabited territory, such as Los Angeles is starting, would be open to question by the courts. He also pointed out that a protest over being included in the area to be annexed by Hirsh-Edmunds might cause the Los Angeles city council to exclude that portion, but if both sides remained apart, the question would be properly decided by the courts.

In another resolution, the council adopted an ordinance annexing the La Casa de la Genitela territory, site of Inglewood's birthplace and the old home of Daniel Freeman.

Delayed for one week was the adoption of an ordinance amendment changing the amount of bond under which certain city officials are subject. This delay was to afford a study of a question of saving some costs in the matter and to gain further insurance coverage.

The council granted a zone change to Joe and Louis Kenney, which allows them to operate a cleaning and laundry plant at 4719 West Century boulevard in an M-1 use. It is a C-2 zone, which would prohibit rug cleaning, deigned an M-1 type of operation. There were no appeals in the matter from recommendations of the planning commission.



# CENTURY PARK RESIDENTS

INGLEWOOD CITIZEN

## STILL PROTEST ANNEXATION

### Inglewood Council Assured of Legal Ground; Introduces Resolution to Take in Area

Despite the threat from Los Angeles that may result in a court battle, the city council of Inglewood decided Tuesday, after a public hearing, that no protests of persons owning property within

the Johnson Ranch 1 had been received and introduced a motion to approve the annexation.

Just before the hearing opened a wire from Los Angeles City Clerk Walter Peterson informed the local body that the Los Angeles city council had passed a resolution of notice of intention to call a special election to annex an area which includes the Johnson ranch.

This notice of intention was adopted on Monday, while on Tuesday the Los Angeles body set the date for a public hearing on the matter for Sept. 28.

However, the Inglewood city council was assured by an opinion from County Counsel Harold Kennedy that the local annexation proceedings were strictly legal and that there was no basis for objection, delaying, or stopping.

The Inglewood council also heard a written protest, not a legal one, from a group of property owners in the Century Park school district who are not residents of Inglewood Knolls, the area that Inglewood is annexing at the request of the Hirsh-Edmunds Company. George McFarland read the document.

Harold Hirsh, in fact, was present to push the annexation to Inglewood and said that his firm would fight any move to be annexed to Los Angeles.

The Los Angeles area, which is included in their proposal, is bounded by 108th, Western, 120th, and Crenshaw. Inglewood Knolls is bounded by 108th, Spinning, Imperial, and Crenshaw. However, this city might fight any annexation of the Johnson ranch area from Imperial to 120th.

The Inglewood Planning Commission last Friday night approved the application of the Hirsh-Edmunds Company, developers of the tracts, to be known as the Inglewood Knolls, for a change along Van Ness and Crenshaw between 104th and 108th street.

The change, which excepts the one lot on the southwest corner of Van Ness and 104th street, makes R-3 property out of the R-1 which has been along Van Ness avenue, and the R-2 which was the zoning along Crenshaw boulevard.

The recommendations of the planning commission was before the council also Tuesday and that body set July 21 at 7:30 p.m. as the date for a public hearing on the matter.

Hirsh-Edmunds seek to build four-unit dwellings along the two thoroughfares, Van Ness being a secondary highway and Crenshaw a major highway. Van Ness in the process will become a 100-foot street and Crenshaw will be a 100-foot boulevard.

Also to be included in the zone change is a change in the setback requirements from 25 to 15 feet.

The Johnson ranch territory has the corner lots on Imperial and Imperial. The city corporation is the same.

A timetable of events up to now in the matter, reveal that the Hirsh-Edmunds firm requested annexation to Inglewood on April 10, that the matter was referred to the planning commission, who approved the application early in May but due to the protest of the Century Park school parents, the city of Inglewood held up taking further steps until AB-1 became a law. On May 23 the Inglewood city council adopted a resolution of intention to annex the area.

On the other side, the Los Angeles council adopted a resolution recording and granting permission to circulate petitions for annexation of the latter area May 13, and they received the required 25 per cent of registered voters petition on June 25. The next move was that of last Monday of the intention to call a special election and a public hearing, the date of the hearing being set for Tuesday, July 7.

The basis for the continued protest, it is thought, is the fact that AB-1, which froze the area to the Los Angeles school district, is valid only until 1955, and at any time Inglewood can seek its transfer by vote of an election.

The Inglewood council is slated to adopt the ordinance, annexing the area, next week, and it will become effective on Aug. 14.

The Johnson ranch area, which includes the site of the Century Park school contains some 118 acres. It adjoins that portion of the Johnson ranch already a part of the city, a parcel of some 100 acres.

The ordinance to annex the La Casa de Centinela territory, some 17 acres, also was introduced and will be adopted next Tuesday.

## Inglewood Annexing Birthplace of City

*Times - 6-8-33*

INGLEWOOD, June 7.—Annexation proceedings have been started by this city on the Inglewood Knolls development which is a part of the Johnson Rancho No. 1, and on the La Casa de Centinela territory. Public hearings will be held on July 7 at 10 a.m. by the City Council.

The Inglewood Knolls area includes the site of the Century Park School, a unit in the Los Angeles district, but that school, as well as the rest of the Johnson ranch land, will remain in the Los Angeles district. The area also includes the corner of Imperial and Crenshaw, which is to be developed by the Yale Corp. as commercial territory.

A part of the Inglewood Knolls development, between 104th and 108th St. is already in Inglewood.

La Casa de Centinela is the former home of Daniel Freeman, Inglewood's founder, and is considered to be the birthplace of this city. It recently was detached from Los Angeles, to which it was annexed

during the building of the International Airport. It contains just over 17 acres and includes a portion of land, along which the Sepulveda Freeway is to run. Inglewood has agreed to the route of the freeway.

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## RESOLUTION NO. 3508

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS ON ITS OWN MOTION TO ANNEX CERTAIN UNINHABITED TERRITORY DESIGNATED AS "JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1" TO SAID CITY; DESCRIBING SAID TERRITORY; SETTING FORTH ITS REASONS FOR DECIDING TO ANNEX SUCH TERRITORY; AND FIXING AND NOTICING THE DAY, HOUR, AND PLACE OF A PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD BEFORE SAID COUNCIL, WHEN AND WHERE OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION WILL BE HEARD.

WHEREAS, the owners of more than ~~one~~ both by area and by assessed valuation of the real property included within the boundaries of the territory hereinafter described, have, over a period of many months last past, made overtures to the City Council of the City of Inglewood, California, and have held discussions with officials of said city, with reference to the proposed annexation to the City of Inglewood of said territory; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Chapter 963 of the 1951 Statutes and Amendments to the Codes of the State of California (Section 35002 California Government Code), the matter of the proposed annexation hereinabove referred to, has been referred to the Boundary Commission of the County of Los Angeles, California for a report thereon with respect to the definiteness and certainty of the proposed boundaries, and the required report from said Boundary Commission has been made and received; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has duly and regularly referred the matter of said proposed annexation of said territory to the Planning Commission of said City, and has received a report and recommendation from said Commission upon said matter, recommending that said proposed annexation be made; and

WHEREAS, said Council has caused an investigation to be made and is advised by the Registrar of Voters of Los Angeles County, California, that less than twelve qualified electors reside within said territory; and

WHEREAS, under the circumstances, said Council looks with favor upon and approves such proposed annexation and does not desire to require the filing of a formal written petition for such annexation, but is willing to proceed in the matter on its own motion as authorized and permitted by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE, DECLARE, FIND, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That said Council does hereby find and determine that the said territory, which is hereinafter described and designated as "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1," is contiguous to the City of Inglewood, California; that said territory has less than twelve qualified electors residing therein, and that said territory is, therefore, deemed to be and is uninhabited territory within the meaning of the "Annexation of Uninhabited Territory Act of 1939", as amended, of the State of California, hereinafter referred to.

SECTION 2. That the said territory so proposed to be annexed to said City of Inglewood is located in the County of Los Angeles State of California, and is comprised of and includes all of the real property included within that portion of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, San Bernardino Base and Meridian, bounded and described as follows:

"BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OF 'JOHNSON RANCHO TERRITORY NO. 1'"

"Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" is located in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, is contiguous to the City of Inglewood in said County and State, and is comprised of and includes all of that real property included within the following described exterior boundary line, which is the boundary line of said Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1, to wit:

"Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Imperial Highway (being also the South line of Section 2, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M.) and the Easterly boundary line of the City of Inglewood as same existed on May 19, 1953; thence northerly along said Easterly boundary line to the northerly line of the Southwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 1, Township 3 South, Range 14 West, S.B.B.M., according to the official plat of the survey of said land on file in the Bureau of Land Management, being also the Southerly boundary line of said City of Inglewood; thence easterly along said Southerly line of the City of Inglewood to the Westerly line of Tract No. 13794 as shown on map of said Tract No. 13794 recorded in Book 282, Pages 5 to 10 inclusive of Maps, Records of Los Angeles County; thence southerly along said Westerly line, its Southerly prolongation and the Westerly line of Tract No. 13795 as recorded in Book 291, Pages 1 to 4 inclusive of Maps, Records of said County to said centerline of said Imperial Highway; thence westerly along said centerline to the point of beginning."

SECTION 3. That said Council does hereby elect to proceed in the matter of the annexation of said territory under the provisions of the "Annexation of Uninhabited Territory Act of 1939", as amended, of the State of California, being Sections 35300 to 35326, both inclusive, of the Government Code of said State.

SECTION 4. That said Council does hereby declare that these proceedings for the annexation of said territory have been initiated by it, and said Council does hereby declare and set forth the following reasons as the reasons of said Council for desiring to annex such territory:

That the annexation of the said "Johnson Rancho Territory No. 1" will contribute to the orderly growth of the city, provide the proper control of street layout, drainage, sanitary sewer de-

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sign and the proper land use in conformity with the overall zoning plan of said city.

SECTION 5. That said City Council does hereby set the matter of said proposed annexation of said territory to said City for public hearing before said Council to be held by said Council in the Council Chamber in the City Hall of the City of Inglewood, California, 105 East Queen Street, in said City, beginning at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. (California Daylight Saving Time), on Tuesday, the 7th day of July, 1953. Said Council does hereby designate and fix said time and place for said public hearing and does hereby give notice of said hearing; and that at said time and place, the said City Council will hear protests or objections made by any persons owning real property within said territory. Said City Council does hereby give further notice that at any time before the said hour set for hearing objections, any owner of property within said territory may file written protest against the annexation. The protest shall state the name of the owner of the property affected and the description and area of the property in general terms. At the time set for hearing, the said City Council shall hear and pass upon all protests so made. Any person protesting or objecting to, or otherwise interested in, said proposed annexation will be afforded full opportunity to address said Council at said hearing and to produce evidence thereat respecting said proposed annexation or any matter or subject related thereto.

SECTION 6. That the City Clerk of the City of Inglewood shall enter this resolution in the book of original resolutions of said City; shall make a minute of the passage and adoption thereof in the records of the proceedings of the City Council of said City in the minutes of the meeting at which the same is passed and adopted; and

As provided by law, (and as notice of said hearing) shall cause a copy of this resolution to be published at least twice, but not oftener than once a week, at least 20 days prior to the hearing above fixed and noticed, in the Inglewood Daily News, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in said City of Inglewood; and in addition thereto, shall, as provided by law, cause said resolution to be published at least twice, but not oftener than once a week, at least 20 days prior to said hearing in the Southwest Wave, a newspaper of general circulation published outside of the City of Inglewood but in the County of Los Angeles, in which County is located the said territory proposed to be annexed; and

Said City Clerk shall also cause written notice of such proposed annexation to be mailed to each person to whom land within the territory so proposed to be annexed, is assessed in the last equalized County Assessment Roll available on the date these proceedings are initiated, to the address shown on said assessment roll or as known to the said City Clerk, and to any person who has filed his name and address and the designation of the land in which he has any interest, either legal or equitable, with said City Clerk; and

In the event any land within the said territory proposed to be annexed is owned by a County, the said City Clerk is directed to cause written notice of such proposed annexation to be mailed to the Board of Supervisors of such County, such notice to be given not less than 20 days before the said public hearing on said proposed annexation; and

Said City Clerk is hereby further instructed to cause written notice of such proposed annexation to be mailed to the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, California, and to the Board of Education of the Inglewood City School District, such notices to be given not less than 20 days before the said public hearing on said proposed annexation; and

Said City Clerk shall also give any other or additional notice of such proposed annexation as may be required by law; said notice of such proposed annexation to be mailed not less than 20 days before the hearing above fixed and noticed.

SECTION 7. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Passed, approved and adopted this 2nd day of June, 1953.

GEO. C. ENGLAND,

Mayor of the City of Inglewood,  
California.

ATTEST:

LEONARD C. FOX,

City Clerk

by EDITH FAIRBROTHER,  
Chief Deputy.

(SEAL)

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## Board Fights Inglewood Bid to Take School

The Board of Education yesterday asked the County Counsel to step into its fight to stop the city of Inglewood from confiscating the Century Park Grammar School.

The board authorized Superintendent Alexander J. Stoddard to send a letter asking for an opinion on "what legal action could we take, possibly in the form of an injunction."

The Inglewood City Council has announced its intention to annex a half-mile square of uninhabited county territory on which the school, located at 10935 S Spinning Ave., is the only building.

### Built in 1947

The school, built with bond money in 1947 at a cost of some \$300,000, belongs to the Los Angeles school system. Annexation would make it part of the Inglewood system, with the fate of its 800 pupils uncertain.

"We've asked the Inglewood Council to reconsider," Stoddard remarked, "but so far they haven't changed their plans."

"If Inglewood grabs the school we will be faced with the heavy expense of building a new one to serve that area."

Citizens of the district, led by the PTA, have been protesting vigorously about the maneuver and have threatened a "mothers' march" on the Inglewood City Hall.

Yesterday Stoddard's letter to County Counsel Harold W. Kennedy added this:

"We believe that the proposed annexation of this school is unjustified and unreasonable."

"In fairness to our taxpayers and to the parents of the children now attending Century Park School, we feel that we should exhaust every possible legal step to protect our interests."

## Action Taken to Annex Area to Inglewood

INGLEWOOD, July 15 — The Inglewood City Council has adopted a resolution annexing that portion of the Johnson Rancho that lies between 108th St. and Imperial Highway.

This action was taken despite a pending public hearing before the Los Angeles City Council on a petition to annex that area together with a larger portion of the Johnson Ranch and some bordering county territory, which is set for Sept. 28.

The portion that Inglewood annexed, subject to final determination of a court, if a contest is made, includes the site of the Century Park Elementary School, but the area will remain in the Los Angeles School District.

When Inglewood moved to annex the area, at the request of Harold Hirsh and Arthur Edmunds, developers of the tract, and included the school site, the parents of the 800 children now attending that school protested.

## Inglewood Acts to Annex Site of *Times of 4-30-53* Century School

INGLEWOOD, April 29—Inglewood City Council served notice today of intention to include the site of the Century Park Elementary School in that portion of the Johnson Ranch which has applied for annexation to the city. Proceedings to annex this area will start Tuesday.

The Century Park School is located at Spinning Ave., just south of 108th St. and is in the area of the Johnson Ranch being developed by Hirsh Edmunds Building Co. which last week asked the city to annex their holdings down to Imperial Highway.

Mayor George C. England said that he was opposed to ragged city boundaries and to asking the developers to provide an additional school site in the area. Annexation of the school site would make it automatically a part of the Inglewood Elementary District.

The Mayor said that State law gave Inglewood the right to annex the school site, but as a matter of good business invited Los Angeles officials to keep them advised of the intention.

*Lennox Citizen 4-16-53 (Inglewood)*

## Area from 108th to Imperial Included, Except Small Plot for Future Commercial Use

**Ties in with Portion Already in City  
and Will Mean 700 New Residences  
for Inglewood in Next Few Years**

The Hirsch-Edmunds Building Company formally asked the city of Inglewood to start annexation proceedings on 118 acres of the Johnson Rancho No. 1 today after escrow closed yesterday morning. The area is bounded by 108th street on the north, Imperial highway on the south and lies between Spinning street and Crenshaw boulevard.

It excepts a small tract, owned by the Yale Corporation, on the corner of Imperial and Crenshaw, which is anticipated as commercial property.

City Administrator Bob Coop in making the announcement that the Hirsch-Edmunds Company had asked to join Inglewood, said that the area has long been considered as an ideal section to be added to the city and that its uniting would further bind Imperial Village to Inglewood proper.

This is a part of the \$11 million real estate transaction that was consummated through the Redmon Realty Corporation, especially being a deal of Mrs. Betty Carlin of that firm. The Johnson ranches and several downtown Los Angeles properties were sold to the Graham-Paige Foundation and they re-sold to the Hirsch-Edmunds, the MacTerry Investment Corporation, the Delaware Construction Company and Yale.

The Redmon firm secured all except the Delaware deal, which was handled by another Inglewood Realtor, E. W. Dawson. Dawson also has negotiated on that portion sold to the Hawthorne Airport, a 60-acre tract, and the portion of the Johnson Ranch No. 1 below 120th street.

Coop stated that it is expected that the corner, the Yale property, will come into the city eventually and that Inglewood was actively seeking the consent to annex the area south of Imperial to 120th street, being developed by the Delaware Construction firm. The area from 104th to 108th street already is a part of Inglewood.

Announcing plans for the development of the 118-acre site, the Hirsch-Edmunds officers said that a 40-acre plot, near the Imperial-Crenshaw corner of the property would be built upon first and that this would be all single family homes. In the entire area there will be constructed some 700 homes.

The company also announced that along Crenshaw and Imperial, a service street would be built to off-set both of those main highways and a parkway, which would be beautified, would be between them. Fronting both of these service roads, multiple dwellings will be built later.

The area to be annexed excludes the site of the Century Park school, a unit of the Los Angeles City school district.

The layout of the subdivisions will be approved by the county before the city annexes. Thus the city has informally agreed that some of the lots will contain less than the 6000 square foot minimum required in the city and the setback will be only 20 feet instead of 25. This is to allow more room in which to break the slope on part of the lots.

The area will be served with Southern California Water Company; thus the third point of annexation was settled. The city has a higher charge for installation than the county; in fact, the city lets the developer build the system, then takes it over in most cases. However, with the SCAI furnishing the water, the area will not further drain Inglewood's load.

A tentative layout was approved for this portion by the Inglewood Planning Commission, as was the Delaware tract, with a few minor points. The county is condemning the Western Avenue Golf course, another portion of the ranch.

Procedure for the annexation, to be joined to Inglewood under the uninhabited territories act, calls for approval by the city council, a legal description of the area, approval by the county boundaries commission and then a public hearing. After the hearing, the city council adopts an ordinance, which is sent to the Secretary of State for recording. This ordinance then becomes effective within 30 days or on its return from the Secretary of State.